

# Hawaii Marine Lifestyles

## MARINE CORPS BASE HAWAII OPENS DOORS FOR 2012 KANEEOHE BAY AIR SHOW

Compiled by **Kristen Wong**

*Photojournalist*

Keep your eyes on the sky. It's here.

The long-awaited Kaneohe Bay Air Show is taking place on Saturday and Sunday and is free to the public. The gates will open at 9 a.m., and performances in the air will begin at 11 a.m. after an opening ceremony.

The air show's main attraction, the U.S. Navy Blue Angels in their Boeing F/A-18 Hornets, returns to the base for another performance. The Blue Angels have been performing for audiences nationwide since 1946.

In addition to the Blue Angels is an entourage of airborne entertainers, including Hope One, an aircraft which has currently flown into 49 states, the 14-man U.S. Navy Parachute Team, the "Leap Frogs," from Naval Amphibious Base in Coronado, Calif.; and the sky-diving Flying Leathernecks.

Pilots with unique styles are scheduled to perform at the show, including but not limited to Clint Churchill, Jacquie B and Kirby Chambliss. A complete list of the performers and background information is available at the air show website.

But don't forget about the attractions on the ground. There is a Marine Air-Ground Task Force demonstration, showcasing this unique element of the United States Marine Corps that brings the fight like no other force in the world.

The Paradise Flyers Radio Control Club Hawaii is scheduled to hold a demonstration as well as a Navy SH-60 demonstration by the base's own Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light 37.

Need to keep the kids interested? Have them visit the many static displays on the ground, including an HH-65 Dolphin, Citabria, Waco bi-plane, Piper Light Sport Tank, and Island Air's ATR 42. There will also be Xtreme Fun children's carnival rides available.

When your eyes have had their fill of the sky, make sure your stomach has its fill at the Taste of Oahu Food Booths featured at the air show. Enjoy pizza, steak plates and food from Aloha Kitchen, Big City Diner, Blazin' Steaks, Churro Kraze and Pinky's Pupu Bar and Grill among others.

Although the base is welcoming the public for the air show, base regulations still apply to all patrons.

Vehicle safety regulations are in full effect. Visit the air show website for a list of regulations with regard to proper attire and identification.

Bags will be inspected and individuals are subject to search prior to entering the air show flight line. To speed up the process, there will be checkpoints at all three entrances and several additional checkpoints throughout the air show area to alleviate wait times.

Patrons are encouraged to wear sun protection, including hat, long-sleeved shirts, long pants, sunscreen and comfortable footwear. The flight-line is paved and you may walk long distances. Water will be available for purchase at the air show.

Smoking is not permitted near aircraft or in hangars. Certain items including large bags and backpacks, ice chests and coolers will not be permitted.

It is recommended that spectators minimize the number and size of permitted items to reduce the inspection time prior to access into the flight-line area. A list of permitted items is available at the air show website.

Several areas on base will be closed due to the air show. Mokapu Road, West Field, access to the beaches, The Cottages, The Cabanas or other facilities in the area will be closed at various times. The airfield entry gate will be closed Today and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Due to air show preparations and operations, Pyramid Rock Beach and Hale Koa Beach will also be closed until Sunday at 6:30 p.m. The beaches will re-open at 8 a.m., Oct. 1, pending weather conditions.

For more information about the beach closures, call MCCA Aquatics at 254-7655. For information about road closures, call the Provost Marshal's Office at 257-6987. The air show information line is at 257-INFO (4636) or visit <http://www.kaneohebayairstow.com>.



Cpl. Tyler Main | Hawaii Marine



Cpl. Tyler Main | Hawaii Marine



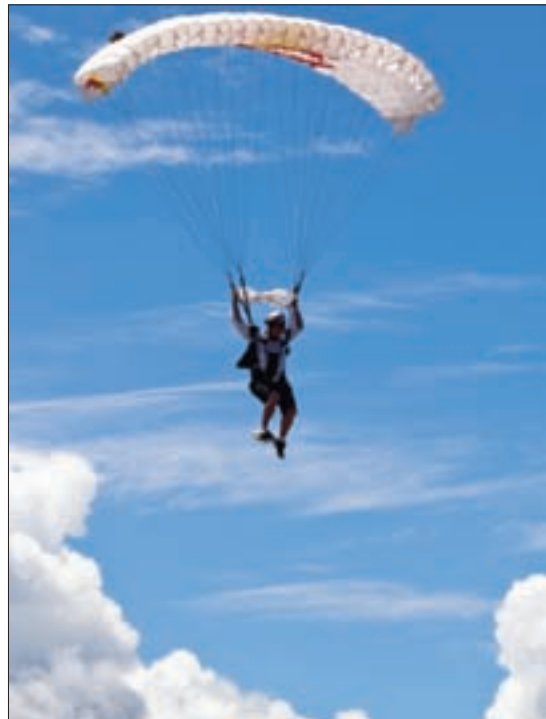
Cpl. Tyler Main | Hawaii Marine



Kristen Wong | Hawaii Marine



Cpl. Tyler Main | Hawaii Marine



Cpl. Tyler Main | Hawaii Marine



Cpl. Tyler Main | Hawaii Marine



Cpl. Reece Lodder | Hawaii Marine



Cpl. Reece Lodder | Hawaii Marine



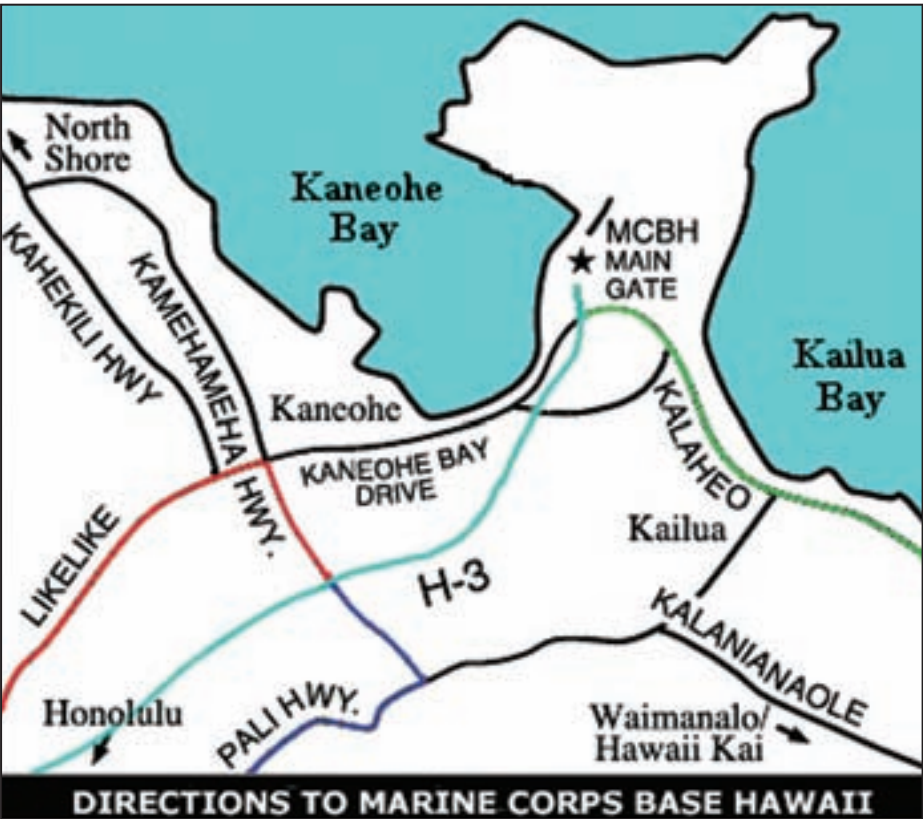
# Directions to the Kaneohe Bay Air Show

*Marine Corps Base Hawaii is located on the Windward side of Oahu at Kaneohe Bay. Make sure you have your driver's license, valid registration and proof of insurance on hand, in case you are asked to present them by the Military Police. All vehicles are subject to random search.*

**From Likeline Highway:** Turn right onto Kamehameha Highway. Take a left on the H-3 exit off of Kamehameha Hwy. H-3 goes directly to the front gate of the base. Signs will direct you from there.

**From the Pali Highway:** Take the Kamehameha Hwy/ Kaneohe exit. Take a right on H-3, which goes directly to the front gate of the base. Signs will direct you from there.

**From Kailua:** Take Kalaheo Drive until it turns into Kaneohe



Bay Drive. Take a right into MCBH.

**From H-3:** H-3 goes directly to the front gate of the base.

**By bus:** Route 70 includes service to MCB Hawaii in the morning and early afternoon.

Route 56 includes service to Aikahi Park, just outside the MCB Hawaii back gate. From there, patrons can catch a cab to the air show site. Click here (<http://thebus.org/Route/Maps/rm56.pdf>) to see a route map. For more information on The

Bus route system, patrons can call the information office at 848-5555 (daily from 5:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.) or visit <http://www.thebus.org>.

**By taxi:** Tell the driver you want to go to the Marine Corps Base in Kaneohe, and to drop you off near Hangar 105.

**By shuttle:** Bus shuttle service will run continuously, Sat., Sept. 29 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Sun., Sept. 30 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. transporting anyone to and from the air show site. Base residents are encouraged to use the shuttles to alleviate some of the expected traffic congestion. For a map and a list of bus stop locations, visit <http://www.kaneohebayairshow.com>.

*For more information please visit the air show website at <http://www.kaneohebayairshow.com>.*





# PASS REVIEW

## Your weekly guide to the best aspects of entertainment

Welcome to the Pass In Review, your number one source for cinema, music, video game, book and product reviews. The Pass In Review crew consists of more than 10 critics, each with their own idea of what makes a movie, album, game, product or book great. So be sure to take advantage of the Better Know A Critic section, which spotlights this week’s critics to better help you choose the critic with opinions most like your own. Using our breakthrough four-point scale system, you can quickly decipher what is worth your time and what isn’t, or read the full review for an in-depth analysis and explanation of the rating. The rating system uses ammunition and range terminology, so if you’re not familiar, here’s a quick breakdown of the ratings ...

**1/4 — No Impact, No Idea**

Horrendous. Among the worst of the worst in its genre. Dedicating time to this is not only wasteful, but unforgivable. Avoid at all costs.

**2/4 — High And To The Right**

Mediocrity at its best. Lacks a few things that might have made it really good. A decent time waster, partake only if you have nothing better to do.

**3/4 — On Target**

Praiseworthy. A great endeavor, not quite an instant classic but still very entertaining. This is a sound investment of your time.

**4/4 — Confirmed Kill**

Genius. In the top 10 percent of its genre. This is the stuff legends are made of. Missing out on it would be a disservice to yourself.

*So, there you have it and we hope you enjoy our weekly reviews. Don't forget, The Hawaii Marine accepts submissions from its readers so if you consider yourself a film buff, music aficionado, gaming geek or bookworm, feel free to submit your own reviews.*



### Better Know A Critic



TUTHILL

**Staff Sgt. Brian A. Tuthill** enjoys comedy. From high-brow to low-brow, satire to sacrilege, he takes it all in. He first saw “Monty Python’s Flying Circus” on television as a kid and was hooked ever since, and is also a huge fan of “Mystery Science Theater 3000” and “Rifftrax.” He also enjoys films classes and analytical discussions about technical aspects of filmmaking.



WONG

**Kristen Wong** is a casual video game player. Her video game enthusiasm has somewhat slowed over the years. She fondly remembers the days when Game Boys were fat and gray, spending weekends playing Super Mario Bros. 3 and Tetris until her fingers went numb. Today she enjoys an occasional game of Dance Dance Revolution and is a recovering World of Warcraft addict.

## Gritty ‘Dredd’ relauches the judge, delivers action

**Staff Sgt. Brian Tuthill**

*Public Affairs Operations Chief*

Legendary future cop Judge Dredd is back, but in a new and dark way. “Dredd,” starring Karl Urban, is more episodic in format than the previous ‘90s attempt at a summer action flick. This new film offers viewers a rough day for Judge Dredd, with more seriousness and uncompromising crime fighting feel. Oh, and no Rob Schneider or attempts at campy humor, so that’s a huge plus.

Passing judgment between Urban’s Dredd and Stallone’s is like comparing the old Batman films to the Dark Knight trilogy or the old X-Men Saturday morning cartoons to the Bryan Singer movies when they ditched the yellow spandex and painted a new and more realistic vision.

Each has their strengths and pitfalls, but the new judge drops the flashy gold bling outfit for thick black, battle-worn tactical pads and iconic helmet that is edgier and more menacing. The helmet,

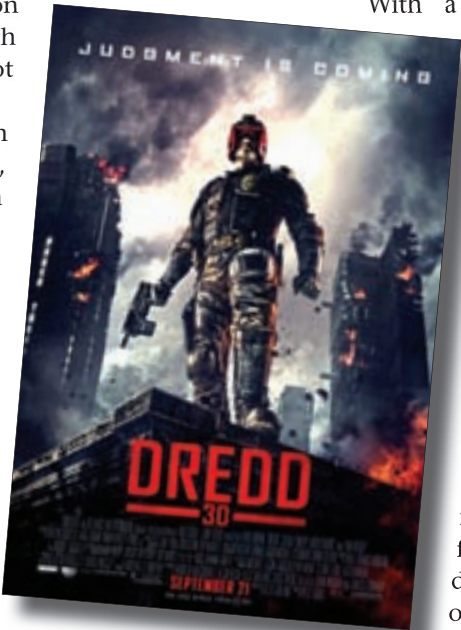
however, does not come off Urban’s head during the film and hides his eyes. For the story and reality of the character, that’s good – for an actor to be able to convey emotion or connect with an audience, not so good.

Everything in Mega-City One, an 800-million resident post-apocalyptic dystopian city, clearly conveys a strong feeling of unrest, grime and despair. The judges keep order in the city, responding to crimes on hulking motorcycles and exacting judgment and sentence on the spot, even executions. Highly

trained like one-man SWAT teams, these judges, especially Dredd, are feared but not necessarily respected while they uphold the law of their rotting society.

With a powerful new mind-slowng drug flowing into the streets from one of the city’s massive 200-story, 50,000 resident apartment blocks, Dredd is dispatched with attractive rookie Judge Cassandra Anderson (Olivia Thurby) during a last-chance, sink or swim, evaluation to earn her badge as a judge.

The film’s villain, Ma-Ma (Lena Headey), is a perpetually angry former prostitute turned drug czaress who comes off as a standard one-dimensional comic book character. There is little of the character depth I had hoped for, es-

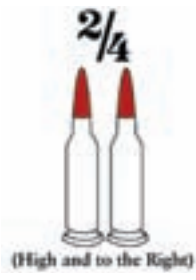


pecially a possible connection to Dredd. They succeed in pulling off a classic good guy versus bad guy showdown, but not much more.

Unfortunately, the story takes a predictable turn on their relatively low Hollywood budget into a “stuck without backup and have to rely on the rookie to survive so they might as well try to topple the evil empire themselves, since they’re already here” plot.

But plot isn’t why you would see this movie. It’s the chest-thumping action, cool future weapons and gorgeous, bloody, slow motion action sequences that entertain you here.

Unless you’re willing to sentence the kids to Judge Dredd’s face-ripping slow-mo bullet impacts and wanton violence, you may just want to leave them behind and bring a date or some friends for a night of action.



## ‘Pandaria’ cliché, but a fresh start

**Kristen Wong**

*Photojournalist*

I needed a break. I had been playing World of Warcraft for nearly eight years, but not only was I becoming too tired to play after a long day at work; I had other things to pay for, like real karate lessons, which will make more sense as you read on. I’ve been WoW free since April 2011. I broke that streak on Tuesday to play Blizzard’s newest expansion, “World of Warcraft: Mists of Pandaria.”

As I understand it, the continent of Pandaria was discovered once again while the members of the horde and alliance fought in the seas nearby. As their ships sank, the bitter rivals both sought refuge on Pandaren lands. They continued their age-old squabble until a skilled fighter appears and takes them both on at the same time. This fighter is from a race known as the Pandaren.

The game includes an entirely new continent, Pandaria, on which players can build their characters to the new level cap of 90. Like the other new races introduced in past WoW expansions, players can create a new character of the Pandaren race, and work their way up from level one in The Wandering Isle.

Players can also opt to join the newest class — monks. So I created my new Pandaren character. As expected, most of the names I would have chosen first

were already taken, so I named him Cuello, which means “neck” in Spanish. I was tired, don’t ask. After I received a weapon for Cuello, and “practiced” on a training dummy, I targeted my first computer-generated opponent, and began to attack. To my surprise, Cuello did not use the weapon perched on his back. Instead he fought with his bare hands (er, paws). Apparently “monks are masters of bare-handed combat, choosing to draw their weapons only for devastating finishing moves,” according to the website.

“Mists of Pandaria” was not as exciting as the previous expansions. It didn’t have the sense of chaos like the Lich King or Deathwing destroying the Azeroth I knew and loved. The



theme is cliché, hearkening back to the millions of martial arts movies released since the dawn of moving pictures. The whole panda-martial arts correlation just reminds me of “Kung Fu Panda,” but that’s just what it is. My character is training to be a kung fu panda. My master, Shang Xi, is the stereotypical wise, old bear who tells me I have “much to learn,” and yes, I even balance on a pole like Ralph Macchio in “The Karate Kid.” Ah, you catch on quick, grasshopper.

The anti-climactic, cliché theme aside, I don’t regret my purchase. Like it says in my “Better Know a Critic” entry above, I am a “casual video game player.” I don’t play for the dungeons, the raids, or the big spoils of “war.” I am not as skilled as my boyfriend, whose panda is already level 86 from playing the beta version.

I play for the beautiful music, the enchanting imagery, and just because I can kill, maim and gut the stresses of the day in a harmless, virtual setting. In that sense, “Pandaria” is good enough for me. It didn’t blow me away, but it got me playing again, didn’t it?



**Prices:** All shows are \$3.25 for adults and \$2.25 for children. For ticket pricing, the Base Theater Box Office defines an adult as a patron 12 and older and defines a child as a patron from 6 to 11. Children 5 and younger are admitted free of charge. Parents must purchase tickets for R-rated movies in person at the box office for children 16 and younger. Patrons must present their military identification card when purchasing tickets. Call **254-7642** for recorded information.



No movie Today | 7:15 p.m.

No movie Today | 9:45 p.m.

No movie Saturday | 6:30 p.m.

No movie Saturday | 9:45 p.m.

“The Odd Life of Timothy Green” PG Sunday | 2 p.m.

“The Campaign” R Sunday | 6:30 p.m.

“Total Recall” PG-13 Wednesday | 6:30 p.m.





Kristen Wong | Hawaii Marine

Marine Thrift Shop Kaneohe Bay opened on Sept. 20 with a selection of ball gowns available for eligible patrons. Prices ranged from \$5 to \$20, and sizes ranged from two to 22. Handbags, jewelry and shoes are available at the thrift store for ball attendees as well. Dress uniforms for Marines and sailors are also available for purchase.

# Marine Thrift Shop Kaneohe Bay selling used ball gowns

**Kristen Wong**  
*Photojournalist*

Marine Thrift Shop Kaneohe Bay began selling used ball gowns, Sept. 20, just one month in anticipation of the upcoming Navy and Marine Corps birthday balls. The thrift shop started with more than 60 donated gowns, varying from sizes two to 20, and ranging from \$5 to \$20. Instead of the evening Belle of the Ball event, which the thrift shop hosted in years past, the ball gowns were made available a few weeks earlier during regular store hours. The gowns will be available until they are sold out. Lenney Rodriguez, the manager of MTSKB, said she held the event earlier and during business hours for several reasons. Spouses will have more time for additional alterations they may need to make to their

dress before their ball. Having the ball gowns available during business hours may make it easier for spouses to come while their children are attending school during the day. Also, because the Navy birthday is on Oct. 13, an entire month before the Marine Corps birthday, Navy spouses also have a chance to find a dress at the thrift shop, she said. On Sept. 20, patrons waited outside for the doors to open. Spouses were already making beelines to the gowns, which were hung on several racks and organized by signs. Base resident Natalya Drellana was among the spouses searching through the racks for a dress. Drellana, who was successful in her search, is a newlywed, and will be attending her first military ball. She said she didn’t want to spend too much money on a dress. In an effort to save money, she also plans to re-wear her wedding shoes and jewelry.

“I like the selection,” said base resident Destiny Fernandes, who heard about the available gowns from her husband. “I didn’t think there would be a wide selection, but I was surprised.” Service members may also be able to find used dress uniforms for a discounted price. Rodriguez said the thrift shop has a regular “buy one, get one half off” promotion every Monday, known as “Military Mondays,” for service members. For more information about the thrift store, call 636-9074, or email [marinethriftshopkbay@gmail.com](mailto:marinethriftshopkbay@gmail.com).

**Teagan Comancho browses through ball gowns at Marine Thrift Shop Kaneohe Bay, Sept. 20. The gowns were made available earlier this year than in previous years, to give patrons more time to do any repairs the gown may need. Also, the Navy ball is earlier than the Marine Corps Ball, so Navy spouses have a chance to find a dress at the store.**



Kristen Wong | Hawaii Marine